Department of Illinois SUVCW

135th Mid Term Encampment

Held Oct 27, 2018 at

Rockford, Illinois

The 135th Mid Term Encampment of the Department of Illinois was opened in due form by DC Harry Reineke IV at 12:16 pm with Dept. Chaplain Jerry Kowalski giving the opening prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag of our Country.

The Roll of Dept. Officers was called with the following results:

Dept. Commander: Harry Reineke IV - Present

Dept. Chief of Staff: Steve Westlake, PDC - Present

Dept. SV Commander: Joe Hutchinson - Present

Dept. JV Commander: Gary Gunderson - Present

Dept. Secretary: Steve Aarli – Present

Dept. Treasurer: Wm. Johnson - Present

Dept. Council: James Lyon- Present; Tom Oestreicher- Present; Gene Walker Not Present

Dept. Counselor - Ron Clark - Absent

Dept. CW Memorials Officer: Steve Anderson - Present

Dept. Chaplain: Jerry Kowalski - Present

Dept. Historian: Terry Dyer, PDC - Present

Dept. Signals Officer - Paul Zeien, Jr. - Present

Dept. Eagle Scout Coordinator: James L. Lyon PDC – Present

Dept. ROTC Coordinator – William Shipper – Absent

Dept. Guide: Patrick McConnell – Absent

Dept. Guard: Rob Hauff CC - Present

Dept. P. I.: Michael Zafrane - Present

Dept. GAR Hwy Officer: Vacant

Dept. GRO: Steve Aarli PCC - Present

Dept. Organizer: Nick Kaup PDC and Steve Westlake PDC – Present

Dept. Real Son Liason – Joe Hutchinson PCC – Present

Dept. Fraternal Relations: Leigh Franklin - Present

Dept. Color Bearer: Leigh Franklin - Present

Roll Call of Camps:

Gen. George A. Custer Camp #1 (Wilmette) Present

Gen. Philip H. Sheridan Camp #2 (Aurora) Present

Gen. John A. McClernand Camp #4 (Springfield) Absent

Capt. Frank Reed Camp #24 (Tuscola) Absent

John A. Logan Camp #26 (Rockford) Present

Gen. E. F. Dutton Camp #49 (Sycamore) Present

Col. John C. Bryner Camp #67 (Peoria) Present

Col. Freidrich K. Hecker Camp #443 (Belleville) Present

Old Glory Camp #6165 (Chicago) Present

Total representatives present: 35 members and several ASUVCW members.

A Court of Honor was opened with the following PDC's present: Zeien, Dyer, Bigwood, Lyon, Kaup, Westlake and DC Reineke IV. Members of the Mary Ann Bickerdyke Camp #2 and Mary Logan Camp #20 ASUVCW were escorted into the meeting room. PDC Dyer escorted Sister Jennifer Dyer of the Mary Logan Camp #20 to the front and formally presented with the Mary Walker Award (Dept. level) for her work in promoting the ideals of the Order. A round of cheers were given by the Encampment.

DC Reineke IV recognized Dept. of Illinois PDC's Zein, Westlake, Bigwood, Lyon, Kaup and Dyer who were present.

Minutes of the 135th Annual Encampment were approved as distributed via email earlier. Moved by PDC Lyon, seconded by Bro. Zafran and ordered placed on file.

Dept. Treasurer Wm. Johnson presented the following Treasurers report:

Beginning Balance:	\$15,660.72
Income:	
New Brothers	225.00
Camp per capita dues received	7841.19
PDC medals upgrade from Bigwood & Westlake	237.88
Total Income:	\$8308.07
Expenses:	
Nat'l members lunchs	30.00
ROTC expenses	104.45
Harry Reineke ribbon	136.33
Terry Dyer Petersburg expense	129.40
Steve Aarli Sec. expenses	91.73

John Bigwood awards	115.20
Harry Reineke Old Dept. Flag & medals (\$102 & 82.50)	184.50
Nat'l per capita dues	5060.00
Harry Reineke Dept. medal tooling	532.99
Springdale Hist/Peoria memorial	500.00
New member fees	149.25
Nat'l Encampment add	40.00
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Total expenses: \$7073.85 New Balance: \$16890.94

A motion was made by Chap Jerry and seconded by Bro. Franklin and passed to accept the Treasurers report.

DEPT. OFFICER/CAMP COMMANDER REPORTS: These were emailed prior to the Encampment for review with the exception of DC Reineke which he proceeded to read. A motion was made by Chap Jerry and seconded by PCC Haight and passed to accept the reports and have them placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS: Dept. Sec. Aarli read announcements concerning the Nat'l Civil War Ball and parade to be held on Nov. 17, 2018 during Remembrance Day weekend at Gettysburg, Pa. Also read a letter of greetings from Compatriot Gale F. Red, Commander of the Illinois Division SCV.

AWARDS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: PDC Lyon proposed that his plan to place cords on our Dept. flag to commemorate the passing of Brothers be laid over until our May 2019 Encampment to allow more time to put together a ritual.

The Dutton Camp #49 in Sycamore announced their plans to revitalize CW Soldiers Grave markers in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Old Glory Camp #6165 requested a grant of \$500 from the Dept. Encampment to use in the restoration of the cannon and grave markers at the Union Ridge Cemetery. A motion was made by PDC Kaup and seconded by PDC Lyon, motion passed.

DSec Aarli announced again that all Camp By-laws need to comply with GO #18 issued by CinC Day by May of 2019 to comply with IRS mandates for gaining 501(c)3 status.

SVC Hutchinson reported the fundraising is at 50% of the \$60,000 needed for restoring the 1866 monument that formerly stood at the County Courthouse. When completed, it will stand at the Springdale Cemetery in Peoria.

PDC Westlake announced that the Camps involved in the multi Camp banquet in January needs to start planning for the event.

PDC Dyer gave an update on the old Dept. Flag that DC Reineke IV had purchased earlier this year. It was recommended by a reliable restorer not to attempt cleaning or restoring the flag as it was too fragile. It was recommended to store the flag in an archival tube free from any contaminants. Also, he has several old Camp Charters he would like to place in protective frames. After some discussion a motion was made by Chap. Jerry, seconded by PCC Oestreicher and passed to allow PDC Dyer to purchase needed tubes/frames for these items at a cost not to exceed \$300.00.

A motion by DSec Aarli and seconded by Bro. Zafran to donate \$275.00 to the Veterans Memorial Hall in Rockford for the use of the Hall for our Encampment. Motion passed.

BILLS: The following bills were presented and ordered paid: Steve Aarli, Dept. Sec. supplies \$78.84; PDC Lyon Eagle Scout supplies \$20.62 Motion made by Bro. Zafran, seconded by Bro. Franklin Passed. PDC Dyer frames for old Charters \$26.13 moved by Chap. Jerry, seconded by PCC Oestreicher passed. Checks issued at this meeting: Steve Aarli: \$78.84; Jim Lyon 20.62; Terry Dyer \$26.13; Old Glory Camp \$500.00; Veterans Memorial Hall \$275.00. Total paid at this Encampment: \$900.59.

Annual Encampment: A motion was made, seconded and passed to hold the 2019 Dept. Annual Encampment on May 11, 2019 in Peoria to be hosted by Camp #67. Bro's Chuck Wright, Dave Wildermuth and Steve Westlake were appointed as a nominating committee to put together a slate of elected Department Officers for the May 2019 Dept. Encampment election of officers.

Initiation of new members: None

Dept. Officer/Delegate Elections: None

Installation of Officers: None

Announcements & Good of the Order:

Closing of Encampment: There being no further business to bring before this Encampment, DC Harry Reineke IV thanked everyone for their attendance and formally closed the 135th Mid Term Encampment of the Department of Illinois at 2:30 pm in due form.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Steve Aarli, Dept. Sec.

Dept. of Ill. SUVCW